

COUNCIL OFFICES,

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH.

ANNUAL REPORT

1945

To the Chairman and Members of the

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

LADY AND GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to submit the Annual Report for the year 1945.

Section A.—STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

Total Area of the District is 103,775 acres.

Registrar-General's estimate of resident population, 1945: 18,870.

Number of inhabited houses (end of 1945) according to Rate Books: 5,740.

Rateable Value of the District amounts to £220,841.

The sum represented by a penny rate is £972 13s. 9d.

VITAL STATISTICS.

						Male.	Female.
Live Births—Legitimate ...	...	...	...	...	254	120	134
„ „ —Illegitimate	...	...	...	...	14	8	6
				TOTAL ...	268	128	140

Birth Rate per 1,000 of the estimated civilian population: 14.2.

„ „ (R.G. England and Wales): 16.1.

Still Births—Legitimate ...	...	...	...	...	7	4	3
„ „ —Illegitimate	...	...	...	...	—	—	—

Rate per 1,000 total (Live and Still) births: 25.4

Deaths from all Causes ... 210 109 101

Death Rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population: 11.1.

„ „ (R.G. England and Wales): 11.4.

There were no deaths from Puerperal causes during the year.

Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births: 0.

Death Rates of Infants under one year of age:—

All Infants per 1,000 live births, 33.5 (R.G. England and Wales, 46).

Legitimate Infants per 1,000 legitimate live births, 35.4.

Illegitimate Infants per 1 000 illegitimate live births, 0.

These are represented by a total of 9 deaths: 7 males and 2 females; Legitimate, 9; Illegitimate, 0.

There was one death from Measles.

There were no deaths from Diphtheria, none from Whooping Cough, none from Diarrhoea under two years, and none from Scarlet Fever.

No unusual or excessive mortality occurred during the year.

No case of Small Pox has occurred.

**Section B.—GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES
FOR THE AREA.**

1. (i) PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS.

Comprise: —

One Medical Officer of Health (Joint Appointment).

One Chief Sanitary Inspector and two additional qualified Inspectors, one of whom is absent on military service.

This Department also deals with all new buildings, water supplies, sewage disposal, meat inspection, etc.

(ii) (a) LABORATORY FACILITIES.

All pathological and bacteriological investigations are conducted at Derby in the County Laboratories.

Diphtheria Anti-toxin is supplied gratuitously in necessitous cases.

(b) AMBULANCE FACILITIES.

Cases of Infectious Disease are removed by the Motor Ambulance to the High Peak Hospital, Chinley, whilst the Red Cross Ambulance, together with an ambulance maintained by Imperial Chemical Industries Limited, serve for non-infectious and accident cases. The Boroughs of Buxton and Glossop also possess Motor Ambulances.

(c) NURSING IN THE HOME.

No provision is made for home nursing of Infectious Diseases. In most instances cases are removed to the Isolation Hospital at Chinley.

(d) CLINICS AND TREATMENT CENTRES.

Maternity and Child Welfare Centres: 1 Chapel-en-le-Frith and 1 Hayfield.

Day Nurseries: None.

School Clinics: 1 Chinley.

Tuberculosis Dispensaries: 1 Chinley, Consultation and treatment provided by the County Council.

Treatment Centres for Venereal Diseases: None.

The Institution at Chinley is utilised by the County Council for school work and Tuberculosis.

(e) HOSPITALS PROVIDED OR SUBSIDISED BY THE LOCAL
AUTHORITY OR THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

1. Tuberculosis: Administered by the County Council.
2. Maternity: None.
3. Children: None.
4. Fever: High Peak Hospital. This comes under a Joint Scheme and serves Chapel-en-le-Frith Rural, Whaley Bridge and New Mills Urban Districts.
5. Small Pox: This is treated, when it arises, in an isolated part of the Hospital.
6. Other: None.

The following Hospitals outside the District are available: —

Manchester Royal Infirmary.

Salford Royal Infirmary.

Sheffield Royal Infirmary.

Stockport Royal Infirmary.

Jessop Hospital for Women, Sheffield.

Buxton and District Hospital.

Devonshire Royal Hospital, Buxton, for Rheumatism and Allied Diseases.

The County Council undertake the administration and investigation of cases of Puerperal Pyrexia.

There is no institutional provision for unmarried mothers, illegitimate infants and homeless children, other than The Elms, Chapel-en-le-Frith (Public Assistance Institution).

No institutional provision for the care of mental defectives exists in the area.

District Nurses are maintained by the District Nursing Associations and are stationed at Chapel-en-le-Frith, Bamford, Hartington Upper Quarter, Chinley and Charlesworth. These nurses visit the homes and render excellent service. In many instances they do much of the Midwifery work.

One Medical Officer of Health and four Medical Practitioners act as District Medical Officers under the Poor Law Acts and as District Vaccinators, and one Medical Practitioner acts as Medical Superintendent for the Infectious Diseases Hospital.

Section C.—SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

1. (i) WATER SUPPLY.

The sources of supply are Upland Surface Water and Springs. Generally speaking, the larger communities are provided with a constant supply of excellent water from the reservoirs, not readily polluted. There are, however, parts of the District where water supply has caused much anxiety for many years.

PEAK FOREST.

In spite of many efforts, no progress has been made in improving the water supply of this village.

(ii) DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.

Sewerage Schemes exist in the following areas:—

Bamford.

Castleton.

Chinley and Buxworth.

Chapel-en-le-Frith.

Dove Holes.

Hope.

Hayfield.

2. RIVERS AND STREAMS.

BLACKBROOK. This flowing through Chapel-en-le-Frith, Chinley and Buxworth, and on whose banks are erected Bleaching and Dyeing Works, is liable to pollution by the effluents.

RIVER GOYT. Is similarly apt to be polluted.

3. (i) CLOSET ACCOMMODATION.

Constant endeavour is made to replace old insanitary types by the water carriage system.

4 Privies have been abolished during the year.

6 New Water Closets have been fixed.

0 Cesspools were repaired or cleansed.

(ii) SCAVENGING.

In the following Parishes Scavenging is carried out by the Council:—

Castleton.

Bamford.

Edale, Hope, Derwent, Brough, Shatton, Aston and Thornhill.

Chapel-en-le-Frith (including Dove Holes).

Chinley and Buxworth.

Hayfield.

Charlesworth.

All the refuse, whether from dustbins, ashpits, earth closets or privies, is removed to the tips.

(iii) SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA.

324 Houses were inspected under the Housing Acts.

45 Informal Notices were served.

20 Statutory Notices were served.

15 Notices were complied with.

(iv) SHOPS.

It was not found necessary to take any proceedings under the provisions of the Shops Act, 1934.

(v) SMOKE ABATEMENT.

Nuisance from smoke has several times been discussed, but it was felt that interference was not justified.

A certain amount is inevitable in the industries of the neighbourhood, namely: lime burning.

(vi) SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS.

There are three swimming baths in the area, all privately owned.

(vii) ERADICATION OF BED-BUGS.

No occasion has arisen for action to be taken by the Local Authority for the eradication of bed-bugs.

4. SCHOOLS.

The sanitary condition of the Schools is on the whole good.

Nineteen of the Schools in the area are provided with Water Closets. Nine have pails or privies.

WATER. With the exception of Brandside, King Sterndale and Peak Forest, all the Schools in the area have public supply.

Disinfection of Schools has been carried out in 41 instances.

PREMISES AND OCCUPATIONS CONTROLLED BY BYE-LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

There are no offensive trades.

There are no underground sleeping rooms.

Section D.—HOUSING.

The Sanitary Inspector acts also as Building Surveyor.

Number of new Houses for which plans were approved during the year: 5.

1. INSPECTION OF DWELLING-HOUSES DURING THE YEAR:—

(1) (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	324
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose	474

Fuller details found in reports of Sanitary Inspectors.

Section E.—INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

A. MILK SUPPLY.

Most of the milk produced in this area is sent to the larger towns, where it is examined by the authority to which it is consigned.

B. MEAT AND OTHER FOODS.

(See reports of Sanitary Inspectors.)

SLAUGHTERHOUSES.

Shortly after the commencement of the War the Ministry of Food decided to centralise the slaughter of animals for human consumption. All private slaughterhouses were thereupon closed and arrangements were made for killing in one establishment. It may well be that this foreshadows what many authorities have long advocated—the public abattoir wherein all meat will be prepared for food, and the imposition of heavy penalties for illegal slaughtering.

Section F.—PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES.

No cases of Malaria, Dysentery, or Trench Fever have been notified. No cases have occurred of locally contracted Anthrax or Psittacosis.

No case of Encephalitis Lethargica has occurred. There is no institutional treatment of after-cases of Encephalitis Lethargica.

The majority of Cases of Infectious Disease are removed to the Isolation Hospital.

There was no vaccination or re-vaccination under the Public Health Act, 1927. (Small Pox prevention.)

There are no facilities for the cleansing and disinfection of verminous persons.

Disinfection of premises or articles which have been exposed to infection is carried out systematically.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASE (OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS) DURING THE YEAR 1945

Disease	Total Cases Notified	Admitted to Hospital	Total Deaths
Measles	80	0	1
Whooping Cough	8	0	0
Smallpox	0	0	0
Scarlet Fever	36	33	0
Diphtheria	4	4	0
Enteric Fever (including Paratyphoid)...	0	0	0
Puerperal Pyrexia	0	0	0
Pneumonia	6	2	7
Erysipelas	5	1	0
Ophthalmic Neonatorum	2	2	0
Encephalitis Lethargica	0	0	0
Dysentery	0	0	0

CASES OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES AT VARYING AGES. 1945.

Disease	Under 1 year	1—	2—	3—	4—	5—	10—	15—	20—	35—	45—	60—	Total
Smallpox ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Scarlet Fever ...	—	1	—	1	2	14	15	1	1	1	—	—	36
Diphtheria ...	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	4
Enteric Fever ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Puerperal Fever	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pneumonia ...	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	1	2	6
Other Diseases:													
Dysentery ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Measles ...	2	3	6	6	11	44	6	2	—	—	—	—	80
Erysipelas ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	2	1	5

CANCER.

In the Chapel-en-le-Frith Rural District the total number of deaths from Cancer is 30 (11 males and 19 females).

This as a percentage of total deaths represents 14.3 per cent. or 10 per cent. of male deaths were due to one or other forms of Cancer and 18.8 per cent. of female deaths were from the same cause.

BLINDNESS.

No action has been taken under section 176 of the Public Health Act, 1936, for the prevention of blindness or for the treatment of persons suffering from any disease or injury to the eyes.

TUBERCULOSIS.

CASES OF TUBERCULOSIS NOTIFIED DURING THE YEAR 1945: 11 (Pulmonary, 9; Non-Pulmonary, 2).

TUBERCULOSIS: AGE GROUP.

	Age	3	4	5	10	15	20	35	45	60	Total
Pulmonary ...	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	3	3	—	9
Non-Pulmonary ...	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2

PUBLIC HEALTH REGULATIONS, 1925.

No occasion has arisen during the year to deal with any tubercular employee in the Milk Trade.

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936 — SECTION 172.

No cases were removed to Hospital under this Section.

I have the honour to be,

Lady and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

GEORGE COCHRANE,

M.A., M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

THE CLERK,

RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL,

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH

Chapel-en-le-Frith Rural District Council

Surveyor's and Sanitary Inspector's Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1945

COUNCIL OFFICES,

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH.

NEW STREETS AND BUILDINGS.

Total Number of Plans approved	...	...	...	...	...	67
" " " " disapproved	...	...	...	...	...	8
Plans approved for New Houses	...	...	...	...	...	5
" " " other buildings	...	...	...	...	...	62
New Houses completed	...	...	...	...	...	—
By private enterprise	...	...	...	...	...	—
Other buildings completed	...	...	...	...	...	18
Drains laid to above	...	...	...	...	...	303
Gullies laid to above	...	...	...	...	...	10
Vent Shafts	...	...	...	...	...	3
Inspection Chambers	...	...	...	...	...	5
Water Closets	...	...	...	...	...	10
Ashbins	...	...	...	...	...	1
Cesspools	...	...	...	...	...	1
Connection to Sewer	...	...	...	...	...	1

HOUSING AND PUBLIC HEALTH ACTS, ETC.

Houses Inspected (Housing Acts)	...	...	...	...	...	324
Informal Notices served by Inspector	...	...	...	...	...	45
Statutory Notices served by Inspector	...	...	...	...	...	20
Notices complied with	...	...	...	...	...	15
Houses provided with rainwater gutters	...	...	...	...	...	4
House roofs renewed or repaired	...	...	...	...	...	12
" windows repaired or new	...	...	...	...	...	29
" chimneys repaired	...	...	...	...	...	1
" ceilings renewed or repaired	...	...	...	...	...	5
" floors repaired	...	...	...	...	...	7
" rainwater gutters repaired	...	...	...	...	...	5
" walls pointed or plastered	...	...	...	...	...	11
Ranges and fixtures repaired	...	...	...	...	...	4
Coal houses repaired	...	...	...	...	...	1
Houses connected to sewer	...	...	...	...	...	2
" re-drained	...	...	...	...	...	4
New drains laid	...	...	...	...	yds.	251
Gullies fixed	...	...	...	...	...	6
New vent shafts fixed	...	...	...	...	...	3
Inspection chambers built	...	...	...	...	...	6
Water service pipes repaired	...	...	...	...	...	22
Water closet cisterns repaired	...	...	...	...	...	1
Dampness remedied	...	...	...	...	...	18
Downspouts disconnected, renewed or repaired	...	...	...	...	...	2
Yards paved or repaired	...	...	...	...	...	7
Water closets repaired	...	...	...	...	...	4
Blocked drains cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	8
Privies abolished	...	...	...	...	...	4
New water closets fixed	...	...	...	...	...	6
New dustbins fixed	...	...	...	...	...	9
Accumulations of manure and filth removed	...	...	...	...	...	1
Water samples submitted for analysis	...	...	...	...	...	1
Other nuisances or repairs	...	...	...	...	...	16
Houses Disinfected:						
Scarlet Fever	...	...	...	...	...	36
Diphtheria	...	...	...	...	...	4
Tuberculosis	...	...	...	...	...	5
Other diseases	...	...	...	...	...	2
Public Schools disinfected	...	...	...	...	...	41
Bakehouses inspected	...	...	...	...	...	20
Cowsheds, Dairies and Milk Shops inspected	...	...	...	...	...	58
Cowsheds cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	1

FOOD CONDEMNED:

44 lbs. tinned meat.
 82 lbs. tinned vegetable.
 21 tins meat.
 51 tins milk.
 41 tins fish.
 10 tins soup.
 19 lbs. butter.
 148 packets pudding mixture.
 147 tins dessert powder.
 100 packets Cereal Breakfast Food.
 68 lbs. cheese.

SALVAGE COLLECTED.

	T.	C.	Q.	lbs.
Paper	32	10	3	—
Rags	1	13	—	—
Scrap Iron	2	17	—	—
Aluminium	—	2	3	15
Bones	1	7	1	14
Jam jars, bottles, etc.			411 doz.	

Value: £246 18s. 10d.

T. DINSDALE,

Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector.

ANNUAL REPORT OF SANITARY INSPECTOR

HAYFIELD, CHARLESWORTH AND CHISWORTH

SANITARY DISTRICT, 1945

(13th August to 31st December)

NAME OF INSPECTOR: C. A. M. YOUNG.

AREA OF DISTRICT: 23,893 acres.

ESTIMATED NO. OF HOUSES: 1,304.

NEW HOUSES ERECTED: Nil.

(a) By Local Authority, Nil; (b) By Private Enterprise, Nil.


	No. of Inspections made by San. Insp.	No. of Notices Served Informal. Legal.	No. of Nuisances abated with or without Notice.
CLOSETS AND ASHPITS.			
Defective Privies, Pail Closets and Ash- pits (not for conversion)	11	—	7
Conversion of Privies into W.C.'s ...	—	—	—
" " Pail Closets into W.C.'s...	—	—	—
" " Privies into Pail Closets...	—	—	—
Defective Water Closets	47	5	34
Provision of Additional Water Closets ...	—	—	—
Provision of Portable Ashbins	15	2	10
Dirty Closets	2	—	2
DRAINAGE.			
No disconnection of Waste Pipe ...	—	—	—
Defective Waste Pipe, Traps, Inlets and Drains	7	2	5
Drains obstructed	14	—	8
OTHER DEFECTS.			
Paving of Courts and Yards	8	—	—
Roofs, eaves-spouts and downspouts ...	16	4	12
Sinks	5	—	2
Insufficient ventilation	—	—	—
Windows	—	—	—
Dampness	4	3	3
Water in cellars	—	—	—
Water supply	12	4	7
Overcrowding	1	—	1
Foul conditions of houses	1	—	1
Offensive accumulations	4	1	3
Animals improperly kept	—	—	—
Pigsties	—	—	—
Smoke nuisances	—	—	—
Urinals	1	—	1
Nuisances not specified above	—	—	—
Defective cesspools and septic tanks ...	2	3	1
TOTALS ...	150	24	97

	No. on Register	Inspections Made	Notices Served	With Notices	Nuisances Abated Without Notices
Dairies, cowsheds and milkshops ...	76	27	—	—	2
Bakehouses	8	8	—	—	—
Slaughterhouses	6	—	—	—	—
Offensive Trades	—	—	—	—	—
Common Lodging Houses	—	—	—	—	—
TOTALS ...	90	35	—	—	2

UNSOOUND FOOD SURRENDERED:

Cheese	15 lbs.
Butter	4 lbs.
Sultanas	92 lbs.
Lexias	56 lbs.
Seedless raisins	150 lbs.

(Signed) CHAS. A. M. YOUNG.



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